

# The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Monday, July 25, 1726.

From the London Gazette, July 16.

Whitehall, July 16. The Convention of the Royal Burrows of Scotland met at Edinburgh the 5th Instant, and made Choice of George Drummond, Esq; Lord Provost of Edinburgh, to be their President. The next Day his Majesty's most Gracious Letter to them (which follows) having been transmitted by the Duke of Newcastle, one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, was read in a very full Meeting.

GEORGE R.

**T**RUSTY and Well-beloved, We greet you well. We having observed, that the several Sums of Money, reserved and provided by the Treaty of Union, and by divers Acts of Parliament, to be employed for the Improvement of Fisheries and Manufactures in Scotland, have not hitherto been applied to the Uses for which they were intended; principally because no particular Plan or Method hath been concerted, directing the Manner in which those Sums should be applied for the said Purposes: And being desirous to remove those Hindrances as speedily as may be; We have thought good to recommend it to you, that at your first general Meeting in the Month of July next, you do take into your Consideration, the State of the said Fisheries and Manufactures, and of the Moneys provided for encouraging the same, and that by your selves or by Committees of your Number, you devise and propose the particular Methods, Rules and Regulations, which to you shall seem the most proper, for the Application of the said Sums towards the encouraging and promoting of Fisheries, and such other Manufactures and Improvements in Scotland, as shall most conduce to the general good of the united Kingdom; and that you do return to Us the Propositions, in which you shall have agreed, to the End that upon Consideration thereof, a certain Method may be settled for the Application and Management of those Sums for the future. The Welfare of our loving People of Scotland, and the Prosperity of the Royal Burrows, is so much concerned in what We now recommend to you, that we doubt not you will go on in the Execution of

what is expected from you, with the utmost Diligence, Unanimity, and Impartiality; and on Our Part, We assure you of Our Countenance and Encouragement, in what you shall propose for the real Good of your Country, consistent with the general Interest of Our United Kingdom. And so we bid you heartily farewell. Given at Our Court at Kensington the 7th Day of June 1726. In the Twelfth Year of our Reign.

By his Majesty's Command.

Holles Newcastle.

Which Letter having been received with all possible Expressions of Loyalty and Gratitude, the Convention returned the following most dutiful Answer.

May it please Your Majesty.

**W**ITH the greatest Joy and Gratitude, we received your Majesty's most gracious Letter, commanding us to devise and propose a Plan or Method for applying the several Sums of Money that have by the Treaty of Union and different Acts of Parliament, been provided for the Encouragement of Trade and Manufactures in this Part of Your united Kingdom, to the Purposes for which they were intended: The Concern express'd by Your Majesty for the Welfare of Your People, and this particular Instance of Your great Goodness and Tendernefs towards them, must fill the Hearts of all Your loyal Subjects in this Part of Great Britain, with the utmost Duty and Thankfulness, and defeat the Attempts of those who vainly imagine they may find their Account in creating and fomenting National Discontents.

The Commands which Your Majesty has been pleased to lay upon us, we cheerfully undertake; and as our low State, in respect to Trade and Manufactures, demands a speedy Remedy, we think our selves bound both in Duty to Your Majesty, and in Regard to our Country, to contribute our utmost Endeavours to carry on Your Majesty's most Gracious Purpose, that Your Majesty may speedily reap the Fruits of Your Goodness & Bounty in the Prosperity of Your People.

We shall therefore, without any Loss of Time, by our selves, and by Committees of our Number,

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set about what Your Majesty has recommended to us, and shall most humbly lay our Propositions before Your Majesty, so soon as we shall be agreed in them.

That the Crown may long flourish on Your Sacred Head, and be continued in Your Royal Family to latest Posterity, are the earnest Prayers of,

*May it please Your Majesty,*

Your Majesty's most humble, most faithful, and most obedient Subjects and Servants,

*Edinh. July 6, 1726.*

The General Convention of your Royal Burrows of Scotland.

Signed in their Presence, and by their

Appointment, by *G. Drummond. Preses.*

Which Letter was very graciously received by his Majesty.

*From the Evening Post, July 16.*

*Madrid, July 2.* All our Maritime Towns both in the Ocean and the Mediterranean, from Malaga to Roses, have been reinforced with Troops, and supplied with all Sorts of Ammunition. Three large Ships, having on board Ammunition and Provisions, with a great Number of Seamen, are sailed from Cadix to Biscay, from whence they expect at Cadix, five Men of War; at the same Port are arrived from Genoa, some Vessels having on board a Regiment of Foot.

*Brussels, July 15.* The Directors of our India Company intend to expose to Sale at Ostend, the 5th of next August, the Merchandizes brought thither by the two last Ships arrived from China.

*Wye's Letter, verbatim, July 19.*

*Since our last arrived a French and Holland Mail.*

**L**etters from Petersburg say, That upon News from Revel of the 27th past, that Part of the Danish Squadron had joined the English Fleet, the Empress of Russia immediately ordered 100 Gallies to be sent thither with Troops on board. This contradicts the Report of Sir Charles Wager's being sailed towards Dantzick; as also, that of his having received Orders from his Court to return with the Fleet to G. Britain.

The above Letters do assure, that on the 29th past the Imperial Minister dispatched an Express to Vienna, with the Czarina's Ratification of the Act of Accession of the Treaties of Nystadt and Stockholm. And Letters from the Hague say, that the Russian Minister there has presented a new Memorial to the States General, setting forth, That the

mpress his Mistress, on account of the Alliance

and Engagement that subsists between her Majesty and his Royal Highness the Duke of Holstein, cannot do otherwise than support the just Pretensions of that Prince; and whatever their High Mightinesses shall think fit to do or undertake in his Favour, her Imperial Majesty will regard it as done to herself, and will neglect nothing that lies in her Power, to improve the good Intelligence that has so long subsisted between her Empire and the Republick.

In the mean time, the dilatory Proceedings of the Dutch, with respect to their Accession to the Treaty of Hanover, are not pleasing, and may perhaps slacken, in some Measure, the Designs against Ostend; the Company whereof is thought to be more prejudicial to Holland than to Hanover.

The ordinary Letters from Stockholm give out, that the King and Senate of Sweden have at last agreed to accede to the Treaty of Hanover. 'Tis hoped the next Advices will give us the Confirmation of this important News, which has been so long depending, and variously talk'd of.

The Squadron under Sir John Jennings continues Wind-bound at St. Helen's. 'Tis still the general Opinion that this Fleet is designed for the Straights. Mean-time the Apprehensions of War seem to lessen; and 'tis thought it will not be long e'er an Accommodation be brought about. But according to some Accounts from our Fleet in the Baltick, the Czarina seems fully bent to enterprize something in favours of the D. of Holstein, having for that End a Camp of 40,000 Men near Revel. But the Fleet of G. Britain is in the Way; which shews the Wisdom and Foresight of our Government in making these Preparations, which have already produced such good Effects.

S. S. Stock 105 per Cent. Annuities 99.

Thomas Vernon, Esq; Member of Parliament, being struck with a Fit of the Palsie, is carried to his House in Surrey, under the Care of Dr. Mead.

Sunday last the Rt. Honourable the Earl of Cadogan departed this Life; and leaving no Male Issue, the Honour devolves to his Brother the Hon. Charles Cadogan, as Baron of Reading, but not as Earl. But who will succeed him as General of the Forces, is variously talked of: Some speak of the Earl of Orkney, and others of the Lord Cobham. Mean-time 'tis said an Express is dispatched to Scotland for the Duke of Argyle to return to Court.

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'Tis said that the Lord Malpas will succeed the deceased Earl as Master of the Robes; and that the Duke of Bolton will be made Governour of the Isle of Wight. We hear the deceased Earl, was Master of the greatest Stock of Gold, Gilt and Silver Plate, of any Subject in Britain.

*From the Flying Post, July 19.*

*Vienna, July 10.* We are assured that the Count Kinski our late Minister at the Court of Russia, is nominated to go Ambassador extraordinary from the Emperor to the Court of France.

*Hague, July 24.* They write from Amsterdam, that on Sunday last the King of Prussia with the Prince Royal his Son, set out from thence, as 'twas said for Utrecht to return to Cleves.

*Edinburgh, July 25.* On Thursday Evening last there were great Rejoicings here (by Authority) on account of his Highness Prince Frederick being created Duke of this Capital.

The same Night his Grace the Duke of Hamilton arrived at his Lodgings in the Abbey, from London.

Yesternight about seven a'clock an Express came to Town from London.

## ADVERTISEMENT S.

\* That a GALLOWAY PLATE, given by the Town of Leith, value £. 25 sterl. will be run for on the Sands of Leith on the Seventeenth of September next, by Galloways carrying Nine Stones English, including Whip, Saddle and Bridle; to run 3 Heats, four Miles each, or twice round the Sands. The Horses are to start betwixt the Hours of 10 & 11 before Noon. The other Conditions and Rules for running of this Plate, are the same with those for running the City of Edinburgh's Plate; with this Difference, That each Person shall at Booking pay only One Guinea.

|| That the KING'S PLATE, value 100 Guineas will be run for on the Sands of Leith the Nineteenth of September next, by any Horse, Mare or Gelding carrying Eleven Stones English, allowing Whip, Saddle and Bridle to be Part thereof; to run Three Heats four Miles, or twice round the Sands. The Horses to start betwixt 11 & 12 in the Forenoon. No Jostling or Crossing to be allowed; and all Disputes are to be determined by the Lord Provost and Magistrates, who are to be with the Flags at the Starting and Distance-posts. The Distance-post is to be Ten score Yards from the Starting-post. The Rider, after each Heat, is to take off his Saddle himself, and carry it with him the Moment he dismounts to the Scales, and is to be allowed in weighing a Pound for Waste. Half an Hour is allowed at the End of each Heat, for Rubbing. If three single Horses gains each of them a Heat, the Horse that gains the last Heat, gets the Plate. Or, if any Horse gains the first two Heats, he gets the Plate. If any Horse, Mare or Gelding runs on the wrong Side of any of the Posts, or runs down any of them, they are to run back the same Way, and run right,

or be adjudged as distanced. upon the Course, the Posts are to be brought in during the Race, at the Direction of the Judges. The Flag at the Starting-post to be dropt the Moment the first Horse's Head is seen to be past it, at the End of each Heat. And in case, by the Sea's not going far enough out, the Sands should allow but a short Course, it shall be in the Power of the Judges, any Time before the Race, to appoint each Heat to be run thrice round the Sands. The Flag at the Distance-post to be dropt at the same Time with that at the Starting-post; and all the Horses that are not seen to be past the Distance-post at that Time, are adjudged as distanced, have no Right to run again.

\* The Silver Plate given by the Town of Edinburgh, to the Value of 50 L. Sterling, will be run for on the Sands of Leith, on the 30th of September next, by any Horse Mare or Gelding, carrying ten Stone English Weight, allowing Whip, Saddle, and Bridle, to run three Heats, each Heat being four Miles, or twice round the Sands. The Horses are to start betwixt Twelve and One Mid-day. No Jostling or Crossing to be allowed, and all Disputes are to be determined by the Lord Provost, and Magistrates, who are to be with the Flags, at the Starting and Distance Posts. The Distance Post is to be ten score Yards from the Starting Post. The Rider after each Heat is to take off his Saddle himself, and to carry it with him that Moment he dismounts, to the Scales, and is to be allowed in weighing one Pound for Waste. Half an Hour is allowed at the End of each Heat for Rubbing. If three single Horses gains each of them a Heat, the Horse that gains the last Heat gets the Plate, or if any Horse gains the first two Heats gets the Plate. If any Horse or Gelding runs on the wrong Side of any of the Posts, or runs down any of them, they are to run back the same Way, and turn right, or else they are adjudged as distanced. If the Water comes in upon the Course, the Posts are to be brought in during the Time of Rubbing, at the Direction of the Judges. The Flag at the Starting Post to be dropt the Moment the first Horse's Head is seen to be past it, at the End of each Heat, and in case by the Sea's not going far enough out, the Sands should allow but a short Course, it shall be in the Power of the Judges, any Time before the Race, to appoint each Heat to be run thrice round the Sands. That the Horses which are to run for this Plate, being three at least, must be at Leith eight Days before the Days of the Race, and be booked forty eight Hours before running, and to pay two Guineas each, at Booking.

† That there are the following Instruments of Musick, to be sold at the House of Mrs. Lilly, opposite to the Golden Eagle, Castle-hill, Hautboys at 10 sh. German Flutes 10 sh. Confort Flutes at 8 sh. Half Flutes at 4 sh. Small Flutes at 3 sh. Oboes at 2 sh. Voice Flutes at 12 sh.

Just Published,

The First Volume of the Lives of the Officers of the Crown and of the State in Scotland, from the Reign of King David I. to the Union of the two Kingdoms. By Mr. Crawford, Author of the PEERAGE. This Volume contains the Lives of the Chancellors, Chamberlains and Treasurers such Noblemen and Gentlemen who have subscribed for the Book, may be pleased to call at Mr. James MacEwen's Shop Bookseller in Edinburgh, where they may have their Copies; and where likewise the Book is to be sold.



*Lately Published;*  
**Proposals**, for printing by Subscription, *A new Account of the EAST INDIES*: Being the Observations and Remarks of Captain ALEXANDER HAMILTON, who spent his Time there from the Year 1688, to 1723, trading and travelling, by Sea and Land, to most Countries and Islands of Commerce and Navigation betwixt the Cape of Good Hope and the Island of Japan. Describing the Seas and Sea coasts, and Islands, the Kingdoms, Cities and Towns on the said Coasts and Islands, with new and exact Maps of them; also of the Harbours and Dangers on those Coasts and Seas. Likewise the Dispositions and Qualities of the Inhabitants of INDIA; their Religion, Customs, Government, Commerce and Product of each Country and Island; as also some short Hints of their Histories and Traditions, both ancient and modern, with some particular Cuts, representing different Curiosities contained in the Book, to make the Remarks the more intelligible; and some of the Author's own Adventures, faithfully related. *Proposals* may be had of JOHN MOSMAN, One of his Majesty's Printers, and by whom Subscriptions are taken in at the King's Printing-house in Craig's Close; as also by William Brown and George Stewart, and other Booksellers in Town.

¶ There is to be exposed to Sale, by Way of Publick Roup, at Robert Colquhoun's at the Milburn of Touch, within two Miles of Stirling, upon Tuesday the second Day of August next, betwixt the Hours of ten and twelve Forenoon, Two black Horses, and a black Mare of the Coach Kind, two Horses for a Saddle, a Mare at the Foaling for a Saddle, and a two year-old Fillie, which belonged to the deceased Laird of Touch.

¶ Upon Tuesday the 9th of August next, a PLATE of 20 L. Value is to be run for at Dumfries, on the Four-mile Course, 3 Heats, by any Horse, Mare or Gelding that has never won a Prize or Wager to the Value of 50 L. each Horse to carry Ten stone English, including saddle and Bridle: No fewer than 3 Horses to run, each to put in a Guinea and an Half on the Day they enter: To be entered and kept at Dumfries at least 10 Days before the Race. On Thursday following the said Input Money is to be run for, by any Gallows not above 14 Hands high. Also on Friday after, being the 12th of the said Month, the Corporation Plate of Ten Pound Value, is to be run for by any Horse, Mare or Gelding; to be entered at least Eight Days before; No fewer than 4 Horses to run, and these in the Hands of, and belonging to Scottish Noblemen and Gentlemen: And such as are not Contributors, to put in a Guinea. The Regulations of the foresaid Races are to be seen any Time before, at the Coffee-house, and at the sign of the Swan, in the said Town.

¶ Whereas JOHN LINDAY of MAINS has made a Disposition of his Lands and Estate of Main to John Neilson of Chapel, in Trust for Behoof of his Creditors; and that the said Estate may be more speedily, and with less Expence brought to a Sale, the said Creditors are desired, by themselves or Doers, to meet at Muirhead's Coffee-house in Edinburgh upon Tuesday the Second Day of August next, at 2 of the Clock in the Afternoon, and bring with them the Vouchers of their several Debts; and to concert proper Measures for bringing the Estate to a Sale, and name

proper Persons for managing thereof, and determining the Preference of their several Claims.

¶ A Gentleman on Tuesday last riding twixt Queensferry and Edinburgh, lost in the Value of 60 Dollars, and an half of Danish Money, in 8, 6, 4, 2 & 1 Silver-pieces, tied up in a Napkin, which dropt from the Fore-part of his Coat and Pocket. Any Person who shall give Account of the same, so as it may be recovered, let them come to the Author of this Paper, or William Lally Merchant of Edinburgh at Leith, and they shall have two Guineas Reward.

*Fishery-Office, June 28, 1726.*

The Managers of the Copartnery are to expose to publick Sale, at their Office on TUESDAY the 26th July Inst. at 3 after Noon, at the following low Rates, for Encouragement of Bidders, viz.

Four new Herring-nets, at 3 l. sterl. each.

Eight ditto, containing 110 undress'd ditto at 10 sh. each. Utensils for a Twine-work per Inventory, to be set up at L. 9, 17, 8 sterl.

Ditto for the Cod-fishing, as per Inventory; to be set up at L. 14, 1, 8.

Ditto for a Barking-house, per ditto. to be set up at L. 14, 16, 4 sterl.

The above Goods will be shown at Leith by David Dacs the Copartner's Agent, and the Inventories and Articles of Roup, at their Office in the Lawn-market. Also there will be exposed to public Sale at the said Office, and at the same Hour, 88 Lafts, 1 3d of Herring Barrels lying at Peterhead, in one Lot, to be sold as they lie, at 10 sh. per Laft.

Notice is also hereby given, That the Managers of the Fishing Copartnery have adjourned till TUESDAY the 26th instant, at three a clock in the Afternoon, at their Office in the Lawn-Market in Edinburgh, the Sale of the Lands and Fishertoun of Peterhead with the Pertinents, and others belonging to the said Copartnery, lying in the Parish of Peterhead and Shire of Aberdeen, the yearly Rental whereof, amounts to 191 Bolls 2 Pecks of Bear, 199 Bolls and 2 Pecks 1 3d Meal, 2 Bolls of Oats, and L. 80. 4. 1 1 6th Sterling of Money Rent and Feu Duties, being the neat free Rent, over and above the Ministers Stipend. Item the Feus of 37 Houses in Stonehaven, and Fish-Boats in the said Town, belonging to the said Copartnery, lying in the Sheriffdom of Kincardin, the Free Rent whereof, amounts in all to L. 7. 12. 1 6th Sterling. Any Person who intends to bid for the above Purchase, may see the Particulars of the Rental, the Copartnery's Right, and the Conditions of Sale, at the Copartnery's Office.

The said Managers do likewise further give Notice, That Attendance will be given by the Officers of the Copartnery at the Burrow Room, on Mondays and Fridays, from 9 to 12 in the Forenoon, and from 2 to 5 Afternoon, for paying to all Persons having Certificates, made out in their own Name, or who have Right to the same by Indorsation, the first Dividend of their Fishery-Stock, at the Rate of 5 sh. sterl. per Pound, and on each Wednesday during the Month of July, from 9 to 12 Forenoon, and from 2 to 5 Afternoon, the Certificates will be given out to such Persons who have hitherto omitted to call for the same.

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